

# Dualities in the $q$ -Askey scheme and degenerate DAHA

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# Outline

- Askey Wilson polynomials and their properties
- Zhedanov algebra
- q-Askey scheme and its geometric interpretation
- duality
- Non-symmetric AW polynomials, DAHA and degenerations.
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## Askey-Wilson polynomials

## Definition

$$R_n[z; a, b, c, d | q] := \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, q^{n-1}, abcd, az, az^{-1}; q)_k}{(ab, ac, ad; q)_k} q^k$$

$$(a_1, \dots, a_r; q)_k := (a_1; q)_k (a_2; q)_k \cdots (a_r; q)_k,$$

$$(a; q)_k := \prod_{j=0}^{k-1} (1 - aq^j)$$

## Example

$$R_2[z; a, \dots, d; q] = 1 - \frac{(1+q)(-1+abcdq)(a-z)(-1+az)}{(-1+ab)(-1+ac)(-1+ad)qz} +$$

$$+ \frac{(abcdq-1)(abcdq^2-1)(a-z)(aq-z)(az-1)(aqz-1)}{(ab-1)(ac-1)(ad-1)q(abq-1)(acq-1)(adq-1)z^2}$$

# Properties of the Askey-Wilson polynomials

- Symmetric:  $R_n[z; a, b, c, d | q] = R_n[1/z; a, b, c, d | q]$ .
- Orthogonal
- q-difference equation  $L_z(R_n[z]) = (q^{-n} + abcdq^{n-1}) R_n[z]$ ,

$$L_z(f[z]) := A(z) (f[qz] - f[z]) + A(1/z) (f[q^{-1}z] - f[z]),$$

$$A(z) = \frac{(1 - az)(1 - bz)(1 - cz)(1 - dz)}{(1 - z^2)(1 - qz^2)}$$

- Three term recursion relation  $M_n(R_n[z]) = (z + z^{-1}) R_n[z]$ ,

$$M_n(g_n) := A_n g_{n+1} + (a + a^{-1} - A_n - C_n) g_n + C_n g_{n-1}.$$

# Zhedanov algebra

The operators  $L_z$  and  $(z + \frac{1}{z})$  generate the Zhedanov algebra:

$$(K_0 f)[z] := L_z(f[z]), \quad (K_1 f)[z] := (z + z^{-1})f[z],$$

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$B, C_0, C_1, D_0, D_1$  constants:  $C_0 := (q - q^{-1})^2$  and

$$B = (1 - q^{-1})^2(abc + abd + acd + bcd + (a + b + c + d)q),$$

$$C_1 = q^{-1}(q - q^{-1})^2 abcd, \quad D_0 \dots, \quad D_1 = \dots$$

# q-Askey scheme

Take degenerations of Askey Wilson polynomials to produce other families of polynomials such that

- Symmetric Laurent or standard polynomials
- Orthogonal
- q-difference equation
- Three-term recursion relation.

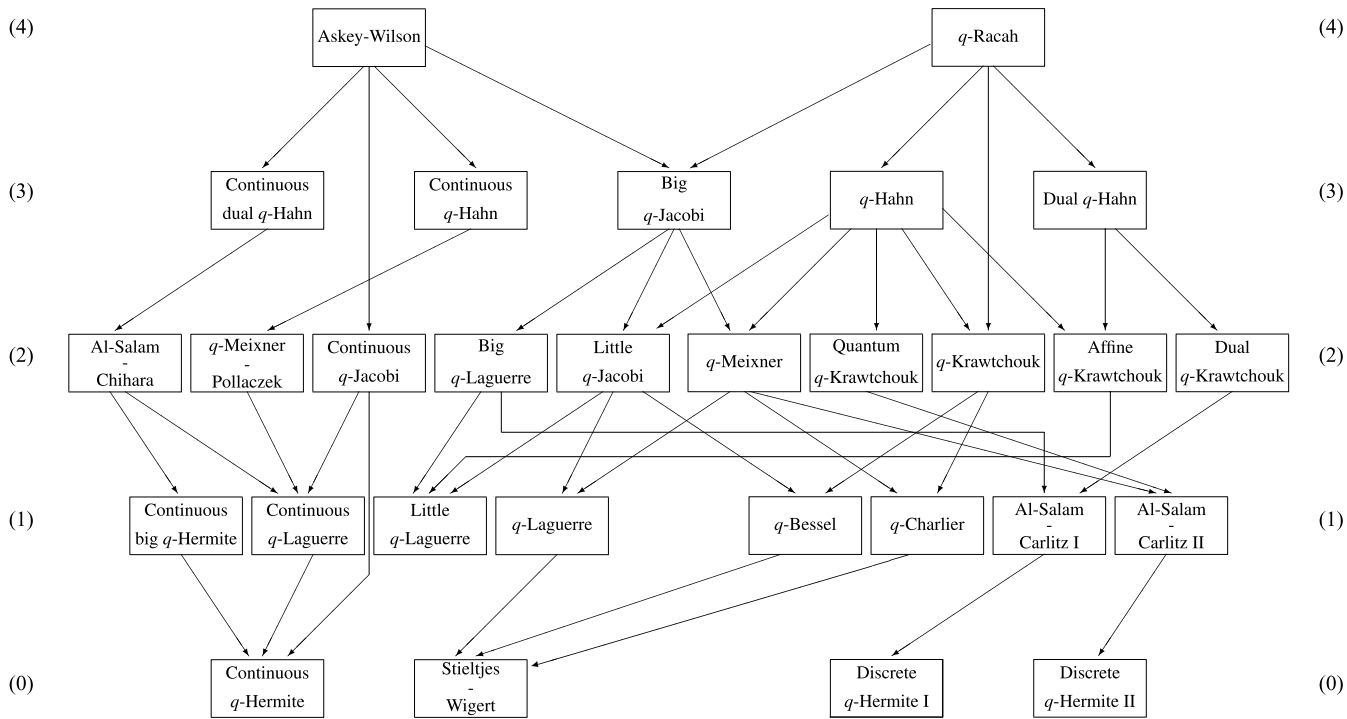
## Example

$d = 0$  is a good degeneration:

$$p_n[z; a, b, c | q] := \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(q^{-n}, q^{n-1}, az, az^{-1}; q)_k}{(ab, ac; q)_k} q^k.$$

$a = 0$  is not a good degeneration.

# q-Askey scheme





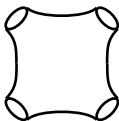
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[Oblomkov '04]

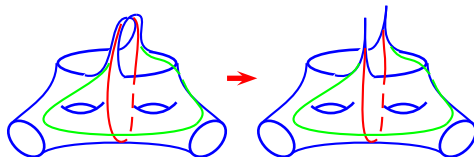
Degenerations correspond to *chewing-gum moves* [M. M. Nonlinearity '16]



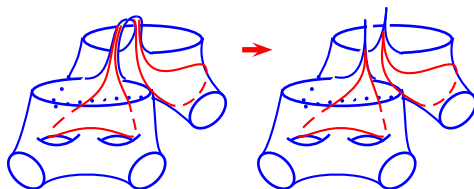
# Chewing-gum moves

[Chekhov-M. M. Nonlinearity '17]

- Hooking holes:**

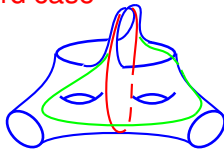


- Pinching two sides of the same hole:**



# Bordered cusped character variety

## Standard case



Fundamental group:  $\pi_1(\Sigma_{g,s})$

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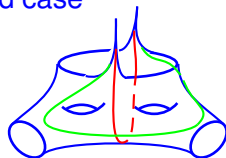
$\text{Hom}(\pi_1(\Sigma_{g,s}) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}L_2(\mathbb{C}))$

Character variety:

$\text{Hom}(\pi_1(\Sigma_{g,s}) \rightarrow \mathbb{S}L_2(\mathbb{C})) / \mathbb{S}L_2(\mathbb{C})$

$\dim(\mathcal{C}_{g,s}) = 6g - 6 + 3s$

## Cusped case



Fundamental groupoid of

arcs:  $\pi_a(\Sigma_{g,s,n})$

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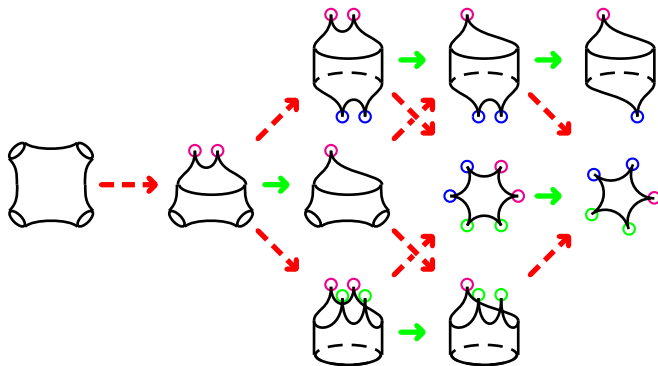
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$\dim(\mathcal{C}_{g,s,n}) = 6g - 6 + 3s + 2n$

# Geometric q-Askey scheme



# Duality

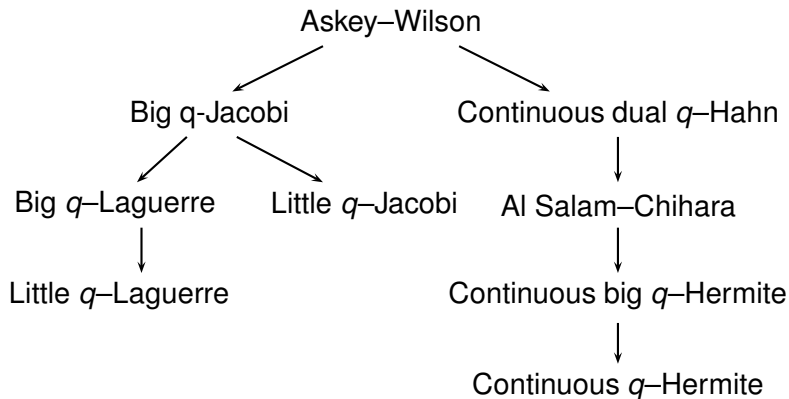
- The operators  $L_z, z + z^{-1}$  act on  $\text{Sym}[z]$ .
- They generate the Zhedanov algebra  $\langle L_z, (z + \frac{1}{z}) \rangle$
- on Askey-Wilson polynomials  
 $L_z(R_n[z]) = (q^{-n} + abcdq^{n-1}) R_n[z]$  and  
 $(z + z^{-1}) R_n[z] = M_n(R_n[z])$

Duality:  $L_z, (z + z^{-1}) \leftrightarrow M_n, \Lambda_n$  [Noumi-Stokman '04].

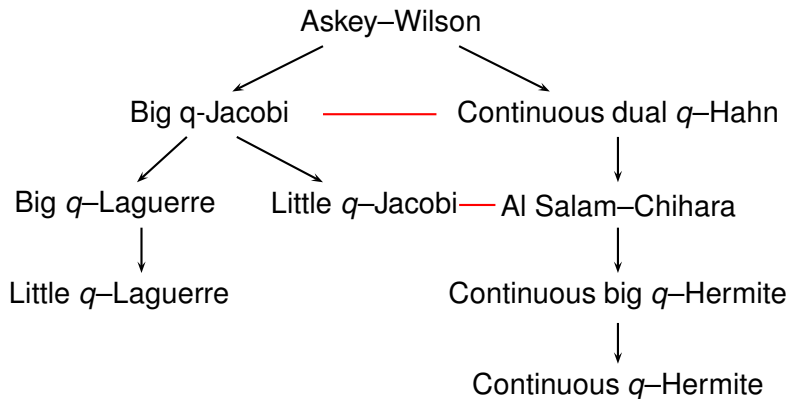
$$R_n[a^{-1}q^{-m}; a, b, c, d | q] = R_m[\tilde{a}^{-1}q^{-n}; \tilde{a}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}, \tilde{d} | q]$$

$$\tilde{a} = (q^{-1}abcd)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \tilde{b} = ab/\tilde{a}, \quad \tilde{c} = ac/\tilde{a}, \quad \tilde{d} = ad/\tilde{a}.$$

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# Non symmetric Askey-Wilson polynomials

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_n[z] &:= R_n[z; a, b, c, d | q] - \frac{q^{1-n}(1 - q^n)(1 - q^{n-1}cd)}{(1 - qab)(1 - ab)(1 - ac)(1 - ad)} \\
 &\quad \times az^{-1}(1 - az)(1 - bz)R_{n-1}[z; qa, qb, c, d | q] \quad n \geq 0, \\
 E_{-n}[z] &:= R_n[z; a, b, c, d | q] - \frac{q^{1-n}(1 - q^n ab)(1 - q^{n-1}abcd)}{(1 - qab)(1 - ab)(1 - ac)(1 - ad)} \\
 &\quad \times b^{-1}z^{-1}(1 - az)(1 - bz)R_{n-1}[z; qa, qb, c, d | q] \quad n \geq 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

[Koornwinder '07]

# Properties of the non-symmetric Askey-Wilson polynomials

- They form a basis in the space of Laurent polynomials.
- Orthogonal
- q-difference equation

$$\begin{aligned} Y E_n &= q^{n-1} abcd E_n & (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots), \\ Y E_{-n} &= q^{-n} E_{-n} & (n = 1, 2, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

- Three term recursion relation

$$M_n(E_n[z]) = z^{-1} E_n[z].$$

[Koornwinder '07]

## DAHA

$Z$ ,  $Y$  and  $T$  generate the DAHA of type  $\check{C}_1 C_1$ :

$$(T + ab)(T + 1) = 0,$$

$$(T^{-1}Y + q^{-1}cd)(T^{-1}Y + 1) = 0,$$

$$(aZ^{-1}T^{-1} + 1)(bZ^{-1}T^{-1} + 1) = 0,$$

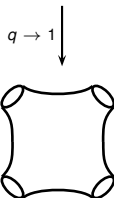
$$(c + qZ^{-1}T^{-1}Y)(d + qZ^{-1}T^{-1}Y) = 0,$$

$$ZZ^{-1} = 1 = Z^{-1}Z.$$

[Sahi '99] Can we degenerate DAHA as well?

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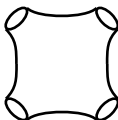
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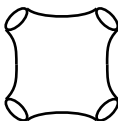
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$$L_Z, R_n \rightarrow \text{Zhedanov algebra} \hookrightarrow \text{DAHA } \check{C}_1 C_1$$

$$q \rightarrow 1 \downarrow$$


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$$\text{Hol}(\nabla, \Sigma_{0,4})$$

Degenerations of DAHA were constructed in M.M. '16.  
Chewing-gum moves correspond to confluences of poles in  $\nabla$

[Chekhov, M.M., Rubtsov'18]

# Outlook

- R.h.s. of  $q$  – Askey scheme.
- Macdonald polynomials.
- The cusped character variety carries a cluster algebra structure - what role does this play in the theory?